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**Request for
Continued Examination
(RCE) Transmittal**

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114

Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

- a. ☒ Previously submitted. If a final Office Action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Official Action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- i. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - ii. Other _____
- b. Enclosed
- i. Amendment/Reply
 - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months
(Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. Other _____

3. Fees

- a. Fees enclosed
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e), Small Entity status is claimed.
 - ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
 - iii. Other _____
- b. Check in the amount of \$_____ enclosed
- c. ☒ Credit card payment authorization Form PTO-2038 enclosed

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